

261—211.2 (15F) Definitions. When used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise requires:

“Attraction” means a permanently located recreational, cultural, educational, or entertainment activity that is available to the general public.

“Board” means the vision Iowa board established by Iowa Code section 15F.102.

“CAT” means the community attraction and tourism component of the CATD programs.

“CATD” means community attraction and tourism development.

“CATD programs” means the CAT fund and RECAT fund.

“CAT fund” means the community attraction and tourism fund established pursuant to Iowa Code section 15F.204.

“Community” or *“political subdivision”* means a city or county, or an entity established pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 28E.

“Community attraction and tourism program review committee” or *“CAT review committee”* means the committee established by Iowa Code section 15F.203(2) and identified as the following members of the vision Iowa board: three members of the general public, one from each of the three tourism regions; the mayor of a city with a population of less than 20,000; and the county supervisor from a county that has a population ranking in the bottom 33 counties according to the 1990 census. The chair and vice chair of the vision Iowa board may serve as ex officio members of any subcommittee of the board.

“Department” or *“IDED”* means the Iowa department of economic development.

“Economic development organization” means an entity organized to position a community to take advantage of economic development opportunities and strengthen a community’s competitiveness as a place to work and live.

“Float loan” or *“interim financing”* means a short-term loan (maximum of 30 months) from obligated but unexpended funds.

“Loan” means an award of assistance with the requirement that the award be repaid with term, interest rate, and other conditions specified as part of the award. A deferred loan is one for which the payment of principal, interest, or both is not required for some specified period. A forgivable loan is one for which repayment is eliminated in part or entirely if the borrower satisfies specified conditions.

“Local support” means endorsement by local individuals and organizations that have a substantial interest in a project.

“Nonfinancial support” may include, but is not limited to, the value of labor and services which may not total more than 25 percent of a local match. Real property and personal property donated for purposes of the project are considered financial support at their fair market value.

“Private organization” means a corporation, partnership, or other organization that is operated for profit.

“Public organization” means a not-for-profit economic development organization or other not-for-profit organization including those that sponsor or support community or tourism attractions and activities.

“RECAT” means river enhancement community attraction and tourism.

“RECAT fund” means the river enhancement community attraction and tourism fund established pursuant to Iowa Code section 15F.205.

“Recipient” means the entity under contract with the vision Iowa board to receive CAT or RECAT funds and undertake the funded activity.

“Recreational and cultural attraction” means an attraction that enhances the quality of life in the community.

“River enhancement community attraction and tourism project” means a project that creates or enhances recreational opportunities and community attractions on and near lakes or rivers or river corridors within cities across the state under the purview of the program.

“School district” means a school corporation organized under Iowa Code chapter 274.

“Subrecipient” means a private organization or other entity operating under an agreement or contract with a recipient to carry out a funded CAT or RECAT activity.

“Tourism opportunity” means a facility that draws people into the community from at least 50 miles (one way) away from home.

“Vertical infrastructure” means land acquisition and construction, major renovation and major repair of buildings, all appurtenant structures, utilities, site development, and recreational trails. “Vertical infrastructure” does not include routine, recurring maintenance or operational expenses or leasing of a building, appurtenant structure, or utility without a lease-purchase agreement.

“Vision Iowa program review committee” means the committee established by Iowa Code section 15F.304(2) as amended by 2009 Iowa Acts, House File 822, and identified as the following members of the vision Iowa board: four members of the general public, the mayor of a city with a population of 20,000 or more, the director of the Iowa department of economic development or designee, the treasurer of state or designee, and the auditor of state or designee. The chairperson and vice chairperson of the vision Iowa board may serve as ex officio members of any subcommittee of the board.

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